# SECA Core Technology Roadmap Development

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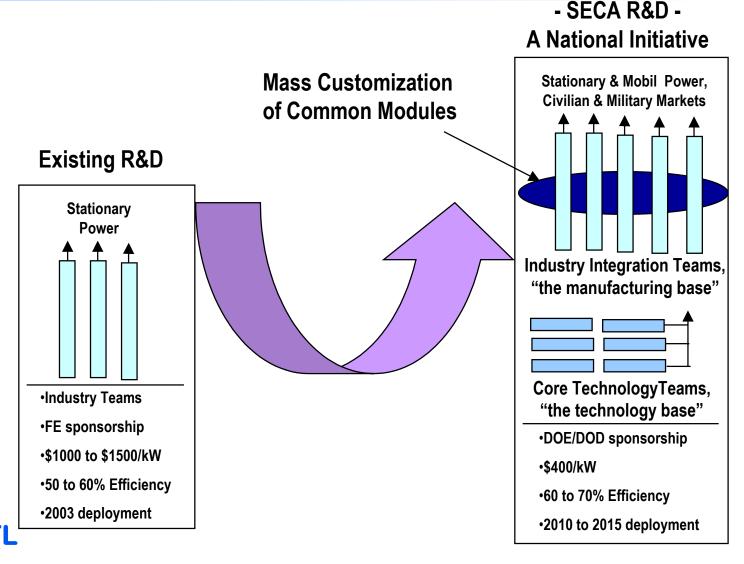
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#### **SECA VISION**

**Solid State Energy Conversion Alliance** 



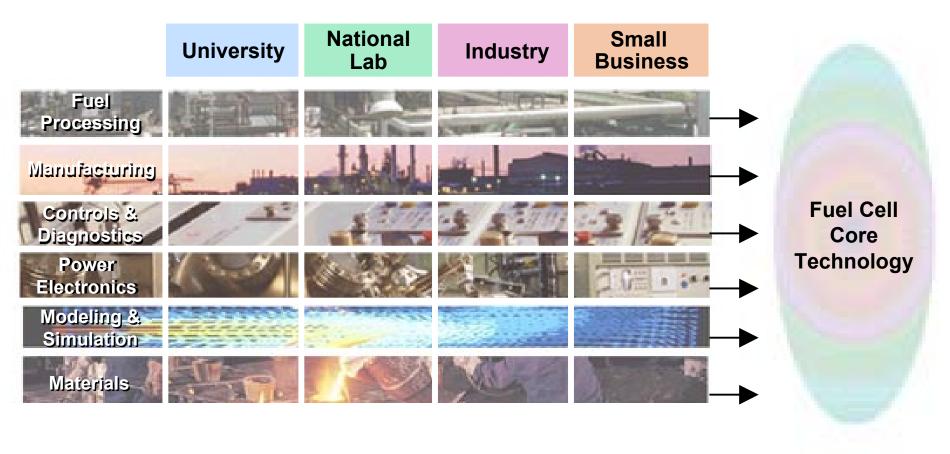


### **SECA Core Technology Program**

- Overcome Technology Barriers That Enable Industrial Teams to Rapidly Progress Toward Low Cost SOFC System Development Consistent With SECA Goals
- Information Shared With All Industrial Teams
- Can Include Universities, National Laboratories, and Industries



# The Technology Base





# Summary of SECA Core Technology Program Planning Workshop

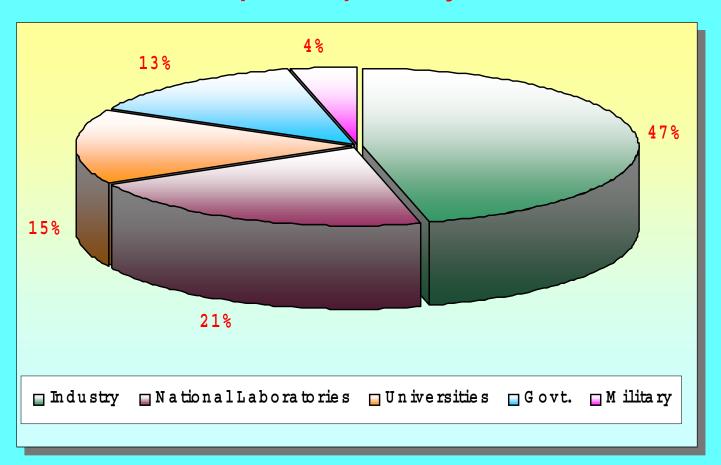
February 14-15, 2001 Atlanta, GA

Attendance: 54



#### **Workshop Results:**

#### **Workshop Participation by Affiliation**





### **Workshop Objective**

 To identify critical fuel cell and related system technology development needs to meet the SECA cost and performance targets of the advanced solid oxide fuel cell (SOFC) power generation systems



#### **Procedure**

- Establish current level of understanding
- Present "strawman" of technology needs or gaps between where we are and SECA goals
- Audience modifies strawman to reflect their perspective (predominantly industry)
- Prioritize
- 2<sup>nd</sup> day summarize and last chance to modify
- Prioritize overall technology gaps/needs



#### **Next Steps**

- Present results of this meeting to 2<sup>nd</sup> SECA meeting (March 29-30) to get broader perspective—modify if appropriate
- Use as a basis for core technology solicitations



#### **Topic Areas**

- Fuel processing technologies
- Cell/stack materials and manufacturing processes
- Stack/system performance and modeling
- Power electronics



### **Establish Current Level of Understanding**

- Fuel Processing Technologies
  - "Fuel Cells for Transportation: Fuel Processing Technology," Patrick
    B. Davis DOE-OTT Office of Advanced Automotive Technologies
  - "Natural Gas Fuel Processing Experience and Issues," Pinakin S. Patel, FuelCell Energy, Inc.
  - "Diesel Reforming for Solid Oxide Power Generation," David L. King, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
- Cell/Stack Materials and Manufacturing Processes:
  - "SOFC Materials and Processing Issues," Anil V. Virkar, Materials and Systems Research, Inc.



## Establish Current Level of Understanding (cont).

- Stack/System Performance and Modeling:
  - "Solid Oxide Fuel Cell System Development and R&D Needs,"
    Nguyen Ming, Honeywell, Inc.
  - "Solid Oxide Fuel Cell Auxiliary Power Unit: Status and Challenges for Automotive Applications," Subhasish Mukerjee, Delphi Automotive Systems
- Power Electronics:
  - "Lower Cost Power Electronics Systems Blocks for DG and Automotive Applications," Chris Kambouris, Ecostar



### Rankings

- Fuel Processing:
  - Catalyst kinetics, parameters, deactivation
  - Fuel pre-reforming catalyst and methods
  - Sulphur-tolerant anodes
  - On-anode fuel utilization
  - Water and steam management
- Cell/Stack Materials and Manufacturing:
  - Stable interconnect
  - Fuel/oxidant seals
  - Cathode electrode/electrolyte interface
  - Thermomechanical modeling and tools
  - Internal reforming/direct oxidation



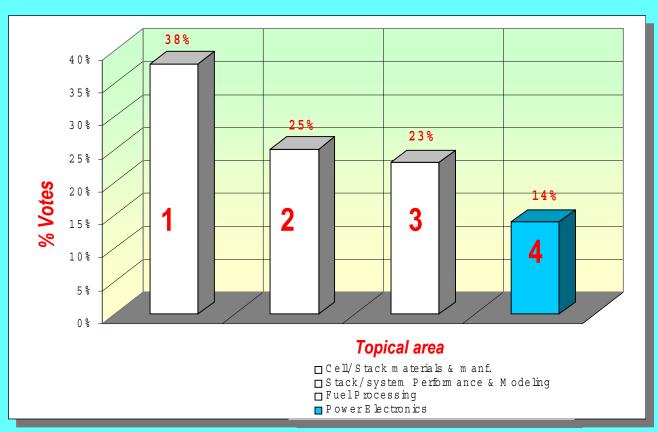
## Rankings (cont.)

- Stack/Systems Performance & Modeling:
  - Cell and stack performance model; electrical and chemical model
  - Low-cost HX, insulation, blowers, sensors
  - Fast start-up and thermal cycling
  - System steady state and dynamic model
  - Start-up methods and materials to accomplish fast start-up
- Power Electronics:
  - Fuel cell/PE interface
  - Packaging
  - Sensors, diagnostics, and prognostics
  - Modeling: electrical interface
  - Materials and fabrication processes



#### **Workshop Results:**

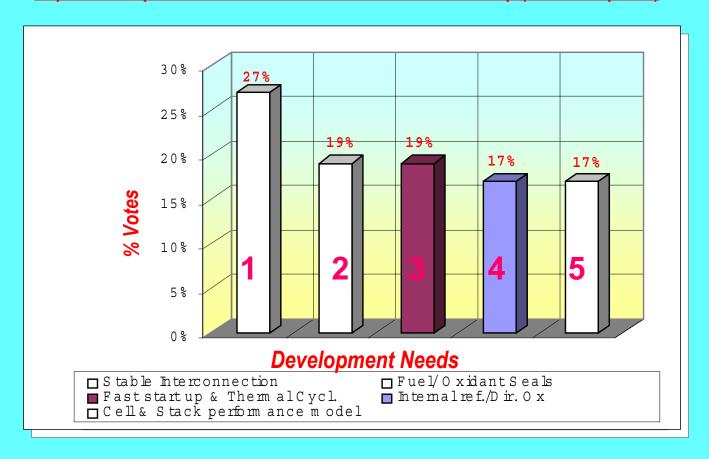
#### Ranking of Topical Area (All workshop Participants)





#### **Workshop Results:**

Top 5 Development Needs Identified at the CTP Workshop (All Participants)





#### **Next Steps**

 Have summarized the Core Technology Program Planning Workshop...Now would like your input

---Breakout Sessions

